



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President Meffley at the request of the County Executive

BILL NO. 2021-15 – Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance – Roads and Bridges Capital Budget – Belvidere Road

SYNOPSIS: A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 to appropriate expenditure authority within the Roads and Bridges Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$750,000 from the General Fund – Assignment of Fund Balance.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: The approval of this bill will have a net fiscal impact on Cecil County of \$750,000, by expending the FY2021 assigned fund balance designated by the County Executive to provide additional funding for the Roads and Bridges Capital Projects Fund for the Belvidere Road Bridge Project.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The County's Capital Improvement Program has supported the replacement of the Belvidere Road Bridge over CSX to be completed shortly before the opening of the State's new I-95 Interchange Project. As both designs are moving along, it was discovered there is a section of road that is not included in either the interchange project or the bridge replacement project. The reason that the section of road has not been made part of the bridge project is due to the County utilizing Federal Bridge Aid grant funding to construct the bridge. The "gap" section is not close enough to the bridge to meet the current requirements of the federal grant to be included with the bridge replacement.

The County continues to work with State in hopes that the "gap" can be made part of the final bridge replacement project with the same grant split of 80% Federal and 20% County. However, until the final determination is made, the County is going to move forward and design the "gap" portion of the road to possibly use as the County match towards the final project. The project needs the design funds now for the bridge project to stay on the project schedule to be completed on or about the same time as the interchange.